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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) · |
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| Joseph C. CAUTHEN |) Group Art Unit: 3738 |
| Application No.: 10/075,615 |)) Examiner: U. Chattopadhyay |
| Filed: February 15, 2002 |) Confirmation No.: 2841 |
| For: SPINAL DISC ANNULUS RECONSTRUCTION METHOD AND SPINAL DISC ANNULUS STENT | <i>)</i>)) |

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed March 6, 2006, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.

Attachments to this paper include a terminal disclaimer.